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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: Ex Parte Communications in MB Docket No. 03-15 (Second Periodic Review of Rules and Policies Affecting the Conversion to Digital Television)

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On Wednesday, March 10, 2004, Lawrence R. Sidman of Paul, Hastings, Janofsky & Walker LLP, and David Arland of Thomson Inc. ("Thomson"), met with the following FCC staff to discuss issues in the above-referenced proceeding:

Jonathan Cody, Legal Advisor to Chairman Powell Jordan Goldstein, Senior Legal Advisor to Commissioner Copps Catherine Bohigian, Legal Advisor to Commissioner Martin Johanna Mikes, Legal Advisor to Commissioner Adelstein

The specific topics addressed by Thomson are reflected in the attached presentation, which was distributed at the meetings, and tracked comments and reply comments filed by Thomson in this proceeding.

In accordance with Section 1.1206 of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1206, one copy of this letter is being filed electronically. Please direct any questions concerning this matter to the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

Laurence R. Sidman

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Attachment

cc (without attachment): Jonathan Cody

Jordan Goldstein Catherine Bohigian Johanna Mikes